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For: APPARATUS FOR AUTOMATICALLY DETECTING SIZE TO BE DETECTED AND AUTOMATIC ANALYZER USING THE SAME

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231 Sir: Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application. Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted. A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed. No additional fee is required. The fee has been calculated as shown below: OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY (COL. 1) (COL. 3) (COL. 2) SMALL ENTITY Claims Remaining After Amendment Highest No. OR Additional Fee Present Extra Rate Rate Additional Fee Previously Paid For 14 20 0 Total Minus 18 11 11 0 0 Indep. Minus 42 \$ 84 \$ First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claims 140 0 \$ 280 OR If the entry in Col. 1 is less than the entry in Col. 2, write '0' in Col. 3.

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SUPPLEMENTAL REPLY

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

April 19, 2004

Sir:

Further to our Reply filed February 19, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows.